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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Messmer et al.

Art Unit: 3628

Serial No.: 09/737,038

Examiner: Frantzy Poinvil

Filed: December 14, 2000

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS
FOR SIMULATING
COMPETITIVE BIDDING
YIELD**Commissioner for Patents**
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is:
Transmittal (3 pgs., in duplicate); Amendment After Final in Response to Office Action dated October 19, 2004 (14 pgs.); Return post card

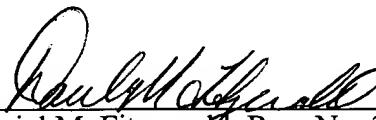
STATUS

2. Applicant
 claims small entity status.
 is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<input type="checkbox"/> third month	\$1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<input type="checkbox"/> fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
<input type="checkbox"/> fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00
	Fee Due	\$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$

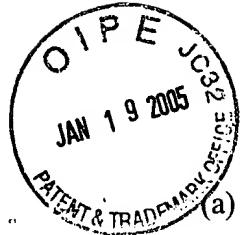
OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
				ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	
TOTAL INDEP.	31	MINUS	30	= 1	x \$25.00 = \$	x \$50.00 = \$50.00
	3	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$100.00 = \$	x \$200.00 = \$0.00
— FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$180.00 = \$		+ \$360.00 = \$
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$50.00



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(a) No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

(b) Total additional fee for claims required \$50.00

FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$50.00
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. Other:



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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the following amendment submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2004 and made final.